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In re the Application of

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For: IMAGE STORAGE

**CLAIM FOR PRIORITY**

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Sir:

The benefit of the filing dates of the following prior foreign applications filed in the following foreign country(ies) is hereby requested for the above-identified patent application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No. 11-149972 filed May 28, 1999  
Japanese Patent Application No. 11-163988 filed June 10, 1999  
Japanese Patent Application No. 11-163989 filed June 10, 1999  
Japanese Patent Application No. 11-163990 filed June 10, 1999

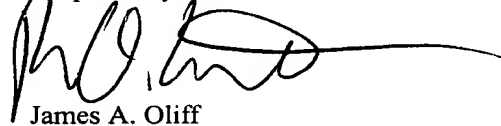
In support of this claim, certified copies of said original foreign applications:

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